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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97-1.98, Applicant hereby directs the Examiner's attention to the following documents cited in the International Search Report for International Application PCT/JP2004/018388 of which the above-referenced application is a national phase:

- (1) JP 2003-119365 A, April 23, 2003, accompanied by an English language abstract thereof (obtained from esp@cenet);
- (2) JP 2003-119363 A, April 23, 2003, accompanied by an English language abstract thereof (obtained from esp@cenet).

Furthermore, Applicant directs the Examiner's attention to the following documents cited and discussed in the present application:

(3) JP 2002-265771 A, September 18, 2002, accompanied by an English language abstract thereof (obtained from esp@cenet); Applicant notes



that this document is cited and discussed at page 3, line 2 of the present application;

- (4) JP 2002-275369 A, September 25, 2002, accompanied by an English language abstract thereof (obtained from esp@cenet); Applicant notes that this document is cited and discussed at page 3, line 3 of the present application;
- (5) JP 1-158033 A, June 21, 1989; Applicant notes that this document is cited and discussed at page 16, line 22 of the present application;
- (6) U.S. Patent No. 4,948,871 (FUKUOKA et al.), August 14, 1990; Applicant notes that this document is cited and discussed at page 16, line 23 of the present application; this document is also a family member of document (5);
- (7) JP 1-271426 A, October 30, 1989, accompanied by an English language abstract thereof (obtained from esp@cenet); Applicant notes that this document is cited and discussed at page 16, line 24 of the present application;
- (8) JP 3-68627 A; March 25, 1991; Applicant notes that this document is cited and discussed at page 16, line 24 of the present application;
- (9) U.S. Patent No. 5,204,377 (FUKAWA et al.), April 20, 1993; Applicant notes that this document is cited and discussed at page 16, line 24 of the present application; this document is also a family member of document (8).



Applicant further directs the Examiner's attention to the following copending and co-assigned U.S. patent applications:

(10) U.S. Application No. 10/576,259 to KAKEGAWA filed April 18, 2006 and entitled "POLYTRIMETHYLENE TEREPHTHALATE REINFORCED RESIN COMPOSITION"; Applicant notes that this document is the national stage of PCT/JP2004/016008, which has published as WO2005/040278 A1, May 6, 2005.

Copies of the above-listed documents (with the exception of U.S. patents and U.S. patent applications) and the International Search Report for International Application PCT/JP2004/018388 (in Japanese and English) are enclosed together with a completed copy of the PTO-1449 Form listing these documents. Accordingly, the Examiner is requested to consider these documents and to indicate such consideration by returning a signed and initialed copy of the PTO-1449 Form with the next official communication.

Further to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office's decision to partially waive the requirements under 37 C.F.R. § 1.98, copies of the U.S. patents and U.S. patent applications cited above are not enclosed herewith. However, if any copies are needed, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned.

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If there should be any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

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